IMPORT HEALTH REQUIREMENTS OF THE PHILIPPINES FOR BOVINE SEMEN EXPORTED FROM THE UNITED STATES

The semen must be accompanied by a U.S. Origin Health Certificate issued by a veterinarian authorized by the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) and endorsed by a Veterinary Services (VS) veterinarian. The certificate shall contain the name and address of both the consignor and consignee and complete identification of the donors and semen to be exported. Additional information shall include:

CERTIFICATION STATEMENTS

- 1. The United States has been free of foot-and-mouth disease, rinderpest, and contagious bovine pleuropneumonia.
- 2. The semen is derived from animals kept in an artificial insemination (AI) center supervised by a USDA-accredited veterinarian.
- 3. The semen is derived from animals kept in an AI center for at least 60 days prior to collection. The donor bulls were not corralled, pastured, or held with other animals that were under quarantine for a contagious disease during the 6 months prior to collection.
- 4. During the 6 months prior to semen collection the AI center has been free of clinical signs of bovine malignant catarrh, enzootic bovine leukosis, anthrax, sporadic bovine encephalomyelitis, bluetongue, vibriosis, vesicular stomatitis, Johne's disease, trichomoniasis, mucosal disease/bovine viral diarrhea (BVD) complex, infectious bovine rhinotracheitis (IBR), and epidemic bovine abortion.
- 5. The AI center has been free of brucellosis and tuberculosis for the last 12 months.

TEST REQUIREMENTS

All the bulls at the AI center must be tested negative on the following tests within 6 months prior to collection except the test for enzootic bovine leukosis (EBL) and bluetongue (BT) which are only required for the donor animal.

1. Brucellosis: Complement fixation (CF) test at 1:10 dilution

2. Tuberculosis: Intradermal caudal fold test using bovine PPD tuberculin

3. Trichomoniasis: Culture of preputial samples

4. Campylobacter fetus: Culture of preputial samples

5. Leptospirosis: Microtiter agglutination test at the 1:400 dilution for

serotypes L. grippotyphosa, L. hardjo, L. pomona, L.

canicola, and L. icterohaemorrhagiae

6. Bluetongue: The donor bulls must be tested twice with the agar gel

immunodiffusion (AGID) test, the first being within 30 days prior to the start of collection of semen destined for the Philippines and the second between 30 and 120 days after

completing collection of such semen

7. EBL: The donor bulls must be tested within 6 months prior to

collection with the ELISA test